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Mr. Tom Schneider, Project Manager
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Mr. Bill Kurey
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Mr. Pete Yerace
U.S. Department of Energy
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Cincinnati, Ohio 45253-8704

Dear Mr. Saric, Mr. Schneider, Mr. Chezik, Mr. Kurey and Mr. Yerace:

TRANSMITTAL OF THE DRAFT MASTER PLAN FOR PUBLIC USE OF THE FERNALD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECT

Enclosed for your review and comment is the draft Master Plan for Public Use of the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP). A commitment to issue the Master Plan for public review in Calendar Year 1999 is contained in the Responses to Public Comments on the Final Land Use Environmental Assessment, which was issued to the

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public on June 29, 1999. The Master Plan outlines the proposed uses of the FEMP, including restrictions and prohibited actions, after remediation and restoration work is complete.

The Department of Energy (DOE) informally provided a draft copy of this Master Plan to members of the Natural Resource Working Group during October of 1999. Comments were received from one member of the Fernald Citizens Advisory Board (FCAB), who also serves on the Working Group. These comments, which are summarized below, have not been incorporated into the Master Plan for Public Use, but will be incorporated after discussion and resolution of the comments with the Natural Resource Trustees.

1. Page 1. The Master Plan should acknowledge that DOE is supportive of the reburial of Native American remains on the FEMP property.
2. Page 1. The possibility of linking the trails to outside trail systems such as the Hamilton County Park District trails should be explored.
3. Page 1. The document states that stakeholder input to date has been considered; however, at the Future of Fernald Workshop, many diverse opinions on public use were voiced. How will consensus on these opinions be reached?
4. Page 4. The FCAB recommendation that agricultural and residential use should be prohibited should be included in Section 4.0 under Prohibited Actions.
5. Page 5. Why control invasive plant species? Why not allow succession to occur? The control of exotic species will have no end point. What is the objective, and who benefits from this ongoing maintenance?

Also enclosed are copies of correspondence that address the Department of Interior's question regarding the mineral rights at the FEMP. The title examination concluded that the United States of America owns the FEMP property with no separation of mineral rights.

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If you have any questions or would like further information regarding this plan, please contact Kathi Nickel at (513) 648-3166.

Sincerely,



Johnny W. Reising
Fernald Remedial Action
Project Manager

Enclosures

cc w/enclosures:

G. Jablonowski, USEPA-V, SRF-5J
T. Schneider, OEPA - Dayton (three copies of enclosures)
F. Bell, ATSDR
M. Schupe, HSI GeoTrans
R. Vandegrift, ODH
F. Barker, TetraTech
E. Woods, FDF/65-2
AR Coordinator, FDF/78

cc w/o enclosure:

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Ms. Renée Holland, Esquire
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Ohio Field Office
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Renée
Dear Ms. Holland:

Reference: TITLE EXAMINATION-FEMP PROPERTY

Pursuant to the Department of Energy's request, FDF has had a title examination performed. The title search shows that the United States of America owns the FEMP property in fee, with no reservations or separation of the mineral rights. There are also various easements that have been granted for parts of the acreage.

For your records, enclosed is a copy of a title summary, which identifies the parcels conveyed to the United States by grantor, grantee and acreage. If you would like a copy of the property deeds, please let me know.

Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Renée V. Holmes
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Deputy General Counsel

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September 20, 1999

Fluor Daniel Fernald
P.O. Box
Cincinnati, Ohio 45253
Attention: Renee'

Dear Renee';

The property owned by the United States of America, commonly known as the Fernald Property was obtained by the United States of America by means of the following deeds:

1. 95.769 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Helen M. Gray per Official Record Book 526, Page 222, Butler County, Ohio.
2. 6.61 acres purchased from Eliza Francis per Official Record Book 530, Page 513, Butler County, Ohio Records.
3. 119.73 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Eliza Francis per Official Record Book 526, Page 421, Butler County, Ohio Records.
4. .99 acres in Crosby Township from Walter Turner, AKA, Walter N. Turner and Betty Turner, AKA Betty J. Turner by Official Record Book 2480, Page 325, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
5. 74.01 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Ethel Wright Wilpers and Darrell E. Wilpers per Official Record Book 2480, Page 327, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
6. 98.62 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Arthur Fuchs and Maye Fuchs per Official Record Book 2492, Page 545, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
7. 38.00 acres purchased from Daniel Schmid and Winfield S. Schmid, AKA, Winfield Scott Schmid and Eunice Schmid per Official Record Book 2481, Page 136, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.

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8. 17.01 acres purchased from Delma D. Lewis, Beulah B. Lewis, Bernice C. Gieringer and Bernadine G. Cutcher per Official Record Book 2491, Page 607, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
9. 26.00 acres purchased from Joseph E. Bader and Delores Bader per Official Record Book 2497, Page 82, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
10. 32 acres purchased from Charles Bross and Alma M. Bross per Official Record Book 2485, Page 575, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
11. 185.0 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Clara Irwin and Raymond Irwin and John Wilkins per Official Record Book 2492, Page 545, Hamilton County, Ohio.
12. 173.31 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Henry Knollman per Official Record Book 2492, Page 545, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.
13. 219.76 acres in Crosby Township purchased from Helen M. Gray per Registered Land Certificate Number 207261/2, Hamilton County, Ohio Records.

There are no mortgages or liens of record. My research shows no separation of mineral rights from these above listed properties.

These properties are subject to easements and right-of-ways of record.

Sincerely;



Barron M. Niehaus
Attorney at Law